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UDALL SELECTS SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR BUREAU
OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

William T. Krummes, a career employee of the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, has been selected to become Director of the Bureau's 8-State Southwest Region with headquarters in Albuquerque, N.M., Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall announced today.

Mr. Krummes will succeed John C. Gatlin, 70, who is retiring in January 1967 after more than 49 years' government service.

"We are fortunate in having a man of Bill Krummes' demonstrated capabilities to step into a demanding position ably handled by Regional Director Gatlin these past 27 years," Secretary Udall said.

Mr. Krummes was born in Omaha, Neb., in 1907 and was graduated from the University of Idaho with major study in forestry. He began Federal service in 1930 as a junior forester with the old Bureau of Biological Survey, predecessor of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

He became Assistant Chief of the Bureau's Branch of Refuges in 1944 and moved to Albuquerque in 1955 as Assistant Regional Director. In 1957, Krummes was promoted to Regional Chief, Division of Wildlife. He became Associate Regional Director in August 1965.

He recently was appointed staff assistant to Mr. Gatlin to prepare for the regional directorship which, in addition to New Mexico, includes Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming.

Mr. Krummes is a member of the Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society. He is married to the former Jane Haley of Idaho Falls, Idaho. They have two children, a daughter, Mrs. Ann K. Bonnell, El Paso, Tex., and a son, William R. Krummes, Monrovia, Calif.

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